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PROCEDURAL AND LEGAL MATTERS

RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES AND OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODIES ESTABLISHED BY THE CONVENTION

Note by the interim secretariat

1. During the ninth session of the Committee, an informal ad hoc and open-ended group of delegations met to review the draft rules of procedure in detail. The group had before it for consideration document A/AC.237/27/Rev.2. As a result of this work, the Coordinator of the informal ad hoc and open-ended group submitted a revised draft (A/AC.237/WG.II/L.8) to Working Group II for its consideration.

2. Working Group II briefly considered the revised draft, but, owing to time constraints, was unable to undertake a substantive discussion thereof. Consequently, it was decided that the Co-Chairman of Working Group II would request guidance from the Committee, through the Chairman, on how to proceed at the tenth session (A/AC.237/55, paras. 108-111).

3. The Committee decided to resume consideration of the draft rules of procedure at its tenth session, using document A/AC.237/WG.II/L.8 as the basis for its work. It noted that the Bureau would make a recommendation to the Committee at its tenth session as to how the Committee should undertake the consideration of this item at that session (A/AC.237/55, para. 112).

4. The Bureau would like to make the following proposals to the Committee:

(a) That this agenda item (now 5 (a) of the provisional agenda for the tenth session) should be remitted to the Committee in plenary session for its consideration, with document A/AC.237/WG.II/L.8 as a basis for discussion;

(b) That the Chairman should conduct a brief plenary discussion to identify the outstanding issues under this item, including those issues appearing in square brackets in document A/AC.237/WG.II/L.8. Should further consultations be necessary to resolve such issues, the Chairman would propose appropriate arrangements to the Committee; and

(c) That the Committee should aim to agree, at its tenth session, on a final draft of the rules of procedure to be recommended to the Conference of the Parties for adoption at its first session.